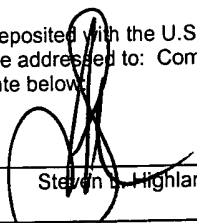




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Applicants agree with and adopt fully the examiner's summary of the June 7, 2004 interview as indicated in the Notice of Allowability mailed on June 16, 2004.

Should Examiner Robinson have any questions regarding this response, he is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (512) 536-3184 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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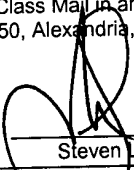
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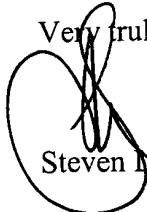
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